

Protective Order Committee  
Judicial Conference of Indiana

**Minutes**  
February 27, 2002

The Protective Order Committee met at the Indiana Judicial Center in Indianapolis on Wednesday, February 27, 2002, from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

1. Members present. Tammy Baitz, Robert E. Lybrook, Christina J. Miller, Chris D. Monroe, and John W. Forcum, Chair
2. Staff present. Jeffrey Bercovitz and Tom Jones provided the committee with staff assistance.
3. Others present. Senior Judge Ruth Reichard also attended the meeting.
4. Minutes approved. The committee minutes for January 23, 2002 were approved.
5. Indiana Civil Protective Order Act.
  - a. Mr. Bercovitz distributed HB 1232 and a summary of HB 1232 prepared by Judge Reichard to members of the committee.
  - b. Committee members discussed HB 1232 and its passage on second reading in the Senate.
6. Protective order grant.
  - a. Mr. Bercovitz distributed a draft STOP grant request for a second year of funding. The committee members agreed to focus on preparing forms and instructions for use for Indiana's protective order statutes, other materials that will lead to the development of a benchbook, and judicial officer and clerk education.
  - b. Committee members agreed the first form developed should be a protective order. Judge Forcum agreed to start working on a quick reference/flow chart for the new protective order statutes and a "Top 20" list of commonly asked questions about protective order statutes.
  - c. Committee members agreed to attend spring district meetings to assist in an educational session on protective orders as needed by the Judicial Center.
7. Next meeting dates. Committee members agreed meet at the following times: Friday, March 22, 2002 from 12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.; Friday, April 26, 2002 from 12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.; Friday, June 28, 2002 from 12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.; Friday, July 26, 2002 from 12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.; Friday, August 23, 2002 from 12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.; Friday, October 25, 2002 from 12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.; Wed., January 22, 2003 from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.; and Wed., February 26, 2003 from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Indiana Judicial Center.

Respectfully submitted,

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